



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: 4/23/2022

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: 4/22/2022

Time: 12:16a

Location of Offense/Incident: 1700 Block of Rainbow Park

Zone: 5

Precinct: 11

Incident Report #: 220275514

Cruiser District: 112

Victim: Efrem G. Blackwell Jr.

Sex: M

Race: B

Age: 22

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

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Incident Summary: *UPDATE: The victim of this homicide has been identified as Efrem G. Blackwell Jr., next of kin notification has been made.*****

On April 22, 2022, at approximately 12:16am, officers were dispatched to the 1700 Block of Rainbow Park on the report of shots fired. Officers arrived at scene and found the victim suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. Columbus Fire Medic 14 arrived at scene and pronounced the victim deceased at 12:39am. The victim's name is being withheld pending identification and next of kin notification.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). This is the 32nd Homicide in Columbus, Ohio in Calendar Year 2022. Incident #220275514. Detective Chapman is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Bryne.

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